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SUBJECT: PROPOSED HURRICANE MODIFICATION EXPERIMENT:
PROJECT STORMFURY-ATLANTIC, AUGUST-OCTOBER
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1. AS PER REFTEL GOM FONOFF DIRECTOR GENERAL OF
TECHNICAL COOPERATION DR. EUSTACIO SALINAS AND HIS STAFF
WERE BRIEFED BY POST ACTING SCICOUNS AND NOAA TECHNICAL
REPRESENTATIVE ON PROPOSED STORMFURY-ATLANTIC.
2. SALINAS VOICED APPRECIATION FOR BRIEFING AND FOR THE
OPPORTUNITY OF BEING KEPT INFORMED ON RESULTS OF SUCH AN
IMPORTANT EXPERIMENT. HE ALSO INDICATED INTENT TO
CONTACT OTHER CONCERNED AGENCIES. IF ANY COMMENTS AND
OR SUGGESTIONS WERE FORTHCOMING FROM THESE CONTACTS
HIS OFFICE WOULD RELAY THESE TO EMBASSY.
3. SALINAS ALSO EXPRESSED DESIRE TO ESTABLISH CLOSER
RELATIONS IN SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION WITH THE
US AND AS SUCH WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO CONSULT MORE
OFTEN WITH THE EMBASSY SCIENTIFIC AND ECONOMIC SECTIONS.
AS AN OPENING GESTURE, ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE, AT
SALINAS' REQUEST, FOR NOAA TO FORWARD PUBLICATIONS ON
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4. A COURTESY VISIT AND BRIEFING WERE ALSO MADE TO
SILVINO AGUILAR-ANGUIANO, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF GEOGRAPHY
AND METEOROLOGY. HE ALSO PROMISED TO PROVIDE EMBASSY
WITH COMMENTS IF ANY WERE FORTHCOMING. REFERRING TO THE
SUBJECT, AGUILAR EXPRESSED WISH THAT A SEEDING EXPERIMENT

BE CONDUCTED IN THE EASTERN PACIFIC, SPECIFICALLY ON A
STORM HEADED IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION.

5. FROM THESE BRIEFING SESSIONS THE PARTICIPATING
EMBASSY OFFICIALS RECEIVED IMPRESSION THAT GOM OFFICIALS
FAVOR THE STORMFURY EXPERIMENT AND SHOWED MUCH INTEREST
IN THIS TYPE OF ACTIVITY AND WILLINGNESS TO COOPERATE
IN WHATEVER FORM NECESSARY. THOMPSON

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